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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated July 14, 2005, dependent claims 26 and 27 were indicated as being subject to a restriction requirement; claim 30 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶2; claims 1, 3-5, 9, 23, 24, and 30 were rejected under § 102 over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0083757 (Hsu); and claims 10-13 were rejected under § 103 over Hsu in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0122170 (Apodaca).

Applicant acknowledge the allowance of claims 2 and 6-8, and the indication that claims 14, 25, 28, and 29 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In the indication of the allowability of claims 2, 6, and 29, the Office Action quoted language from claim 6. 7/14/2005 Office Action at 5. Note, however, that claims 2 and 29 recite language that is different from claim 6, and thus the construction of claims 2 and 29 should be based on the actual words of claims 2 and 29, not the recitation of language from claim 6.

Also, the indication of allowability of claims 14 and 28 quoted language from claim 14. Id. at 6. However, note that claim 28 recites language different from claim 14, and thus the construction of claim 28 should be based on the words of claim 28, and not on the words of claim 14.

Claims 1, 5, 23, 24, and 30 have been cancelled, without prejudice, to render the rejection of those claims moot. Claims 14, 25, 28, and 29 have been amended from dependent form to independent form, with the scope of each claim remaining *unchanged*, to place the claims in condition for allowance.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office Action indicated that claims 26 and 27 are directed to a distinct invention, and thus are withdrawn from the present application. Claims 26 and 27 now depend from allowable generic independent claim 25. Therefore, rejoinder of claims 26 and 27 into the application is respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Applicant does not agree with the indication that claim 30 is indefinite. However, since the subject matter of claim 30 has been covered in other claims, claim 30 has been cancelled to render the rejection of the claim moot.

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REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 AND 103

All claims are in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2025 (10010715-3).

Respectfully submitted,

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